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Dear Henry:

I have just returned from a vacation and was surprised to learn that you are retiring from the Agency after continuous service since 1948. The Agency won't be the same without you, but certainly we wish you every happiness in your retirement years.

I think back on our past history and as we look around at the technical program of today we can't help but compare it with 1948 when you were "the program" completely equipped with a screwdriver, a pair of pliers and a roll of wire in your hip pocket. While at that time we were just starting our technical program, you should have the great satisfaction of knowing that you made a lasting contribution and helped establish the foundation for the tremendously efficient program we have at this time. It has been a major accomplishment.

I want to thank you personally and on behalf of all your friends and associates for the dedication, many hours of hard work and self-sacrifice that you have given to the success of our security program. Again we wish you the very best in your retirement years and the well-deserved relaxation after the many years of front-line service in the technical program.

Sincerely.

s/Bob

R. L. Bannerman Deputy Director for Support

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